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Mail Stop Patent Application  
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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For (title): METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DEACTIVATING ITEMS AND FOR MAINTAINING  
SUCH ITEMS IN A DEACTIVATED STATE

1. Type of Application

This application is for an original (non-provisional).

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## 2. Papers Enclosed

- A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

25 Page(s) of Specification  
2 Page(s) of Claims  
19 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

- B. Other Papers Enclosed

3 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney  
1 Page(s) of abstract

## 3. Declaration or Oath

Enclosed and executed by the inventors.

## 4. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

## 5. Language

English

## 6. Assignment

An assignment of the invention to STERIS Inc. is attached. A separate FORM PTO 1595 is also attached.

## 7. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

Regular Application

Regular Application									
CLAIMS AS FILED									
Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a) \$750.00									
Number Filed		Number Extra				Rate			
Total									
Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))		9	-	20	=	0	x \$	18.00	= \$ 0.00
Independent									
Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))		1	-	3	=	0	x \$	84.00	= \$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))							\$	280.00	\$ 0.00
Filing Fee Calculation								\$750.00	

**8. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**  
Enclosed

Filing Fee	\$750.00
Recording assignment (\$40; 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h)) (See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION".)	\$40.00
<b>Total Fees Enclosed</b>	<b>\$790.00</b>

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**10. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

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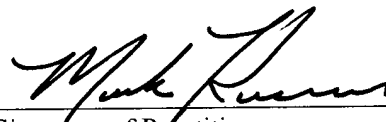
37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b), (c) or (d) (presentation of extra claims)

**11. Instructions as to Overpayment**

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